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Take Off...

Direct flights from Mysuru to Mumbai, Goa & Tirupati soon

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (RK&BCT)- The long-pending demand for enhanced air connectivity from Mysore Airport at Mandakalli is set to be fulfilled soon, with direct flights to major destinations including Mumbai, Goa and Tirupati likely to commence in the coming weeks.

Yaduveer

At present, barring Hyderabad and Chennai, flight operations on most routes from Mysuru have been withdrawn, inconveniencing frequent flyers — particularly tourists and business travellers.

Confirming the development this morning, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar told *Star of Mysore* that he has been in discussions with Air India and IndiGo Airlines to introduce direct flights to these high-demand destinations.

"Tourism and business stakeholders have been demanding this service for a long time. It will significantly boost commerce, industry and tourism in the region, especially considering the industrial and IT/BT growth in the Mysuru region," the MP said.

Long-term and sustainable plan

"I do not want operators to run flights for a limited period. We are working on a long-term and sustainable plan to operate flights to Mumbai, Goa and Tirupati, as these routes have strong demand, especially from tourists and the business community on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays. Slots have already been booked, and if the plan materialises, the flights could begin in two or three weeks," he added.

Highlighting the convenience of the proposed Mysuru-Tirupati service, Yaduveer noted that devotees currently rely on trains and buses for two-day journey to Tirupati and back. "With flight connectivity, devotees can travel to Tirupati, have darshan and return the same day," he said.

At present, only IndiGo operates flights on Hyderabad-Mysuru-Hyderabad and Chennai-Mysuru-Chennai routes.

The Hyderabad flight arrives in Mysuru at 12.30 pm and departs at 1.15 pm, while the Chennai flight lands at 6.30 pm and leaves at 7.40 pm.

Flights to Kochi and Goa have already been suspended, while services to Belagavi, Hubballi and Kalaburagi were also discontinued.

Meanwhile, several regional airports in Karnataka, including Mysuru, have been struggling since the expiry of the Regional Connectivity Scheme — Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN) — in 2021.

Total aircraft movements from Mysuru, Kalaburagi, Hubballi and Belagavi airports have dropped by more than 60 percent — from 13,180 in 2021-22 to just 5,372 in 2024-25. Passenger traffic too declined from 4,89,040 to 3,34,213 during the same period, with the end of the UDAN scheme cited as the primary reason for the slump ■

WHEEL LOCK !

Devaraja Police Constable locking the wheel of a van for parking on the busy Sayyaji Rao Road under the supervision of the Traffic Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) this noon.

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (RK&VNS)- Finally responding to the growing menace of vehicles being parked haphazardly in 'No Parking Zones' and on main roads, the Mysuru City Traffic Police launched a special 'Wheel Lock' drive this morning around Devaraja Market, including New Sayyaji Rao Road.

To deter haphazard parking and ensure traffic discipline, Police often use wheel locks — metal clamps affixed to the wheels of improperly parked vehicles. This method immobilises the vehicle until penalties are paid.

(See WHEEL LOCK ! on page 6)

Dr. B.V. Rajagopal passes away

Dr. Rajagopal

Lalitha

Wife Lalitha Rajagopal predeceased him on Oct. 19, 2025

Mysuru, Oct. 27- Dr. B.V. Rajagopal (89), city's renowned physician and cardiologist, passed away following brief illness on Oct. 25 in city.

A resident of Kuvempunagar, he leaves behind his daughters Dr. Kalpana Pandit and Dr. Srilaxmi Pandit, sons Dr. Sandeep Raj Pandit and Deepak Raj Pandit, an engineer and a host of relatives and friends. His wife Lalitha Rajagopal had predeceased him on Oct. 19, 2025.

Last rites will be held after one of his sons returns from America, according to sources known to his family.

Dr. Rajagopal, who was popularly known as "Mysore Physicians' Bhishma," hails from a family steeped in ancient system of Ayurveda in Nanjangud. He was born to B.V. Pandit and Laxmi Devamma on Sept. 27, 1937.

(See RAJAGOPAL on page 6)

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

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Mysuru, Monday 27th October 2025

BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

TAMING THE TONGUE: ***'What you say can preserve life or destroy it,' is a precept from the Book of Proverbs in the Bible. It warns us against venting our anger on someone in a tempestuous tirade. Before we know it, we have lashed out mercilessly and said things that can never be taken back. Indeed, we may not want to withdraw our words, instead declaring proudly, "I gave him a piece of my mind" or "I told her exactly what I thought of her."***

Besides, it is not necessary to talk loud and long to wound people's feelings. Biting sarcasm, a curt reply to a query, a bad-tempered "Don't bother me," in response to a request, can be just as hurtful. Often, it is those closest to us who are at the receiving end of our rudeness, since we are irritable after a stressful day.

While we can perhaps justify this lack of restraint on grounds of extreme provocation, what is unpardonable is that other dreadful use to which we put our tongues: malicious gossip.

This includes spreading baseless rumours and repeating something shared in strict confidence; also (expressly forbidden in the 9th of the 10 Commandments), falsely defaming our neighbours. Such distasteful discussions tear a person's character to shreds and ruin his or her reputation. We must resist the urge to say, "Have you heard the latest?" and "She's a nice girl, but..."

Not as evil as verbal vituperation, but still best avoided, is our obsession with ourselves. We may not boast about our achievements, but we go on about the problems that plague us. None of us has been singled out and marked for misfortune. Rather, as Shakespeare's *Hamlet* ***reminds us, every human being experiences the "thousand natural shocks that flesh is heir to." Let us therefore desist from discoursing on our cares and concerns, opinions and objectives.***

Even a conversation devoid of slander or selfishness is harmful if it wastes time: a precious commodity. The moment we recall that we could be more gainfully employed than indulging in idle chatter, we ought to immediately refrain from rambling.

Does all this mean that we should muzzle ourselves? Certainly not! If silence is golden, so is speech. We only need to tame our tongues.

—Suryakumari Dennison in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Bungee jumping sparks controversy

Beijing: After making news headlines as the world's highest road bridge, the Huajiang Grand Canyon Bridge was again in the news recently, this time for a controversial attraction that challenged daredevils to jump from the bridge into a rainbow-coloured net to avoid falling into the Beipan River 625 metres (2,051 feet) below. Footage of the safety staff dropping sandbags of various weights into the net as part of safety testing went viral on Chinese social networks earlier this month, causing concern among the general public.

In response to the criticism, the company operating the controversial attraction explained that the net was designed with fixed corners to effectively absorb the impact of a fall, and then it descends to the bottom platform, ensuring the participant's safe exit.

Man to pay 'cat support' after divorce

Istanbul: As part of a divorce agreement with his ex-wife, a Turkish man has agreed to pay 10,000 liras ($240) every three months as child support for their two cats.

Buğra B., who lives in Istanbul, filed for a mutually agreed-upon divorce from his wife, Ezgi B., citing "severe incompatibility and a breakdown in the foundation of their marriage."

The two parties have agreed to end their marriage and have not sought any compensation or alimony from each other, but they did include a rather peculiar protocol in their divorce filing, which could impact future divorces of pet-owning couples.

The document states that the husband transfers custody of their two cats to his wife and assumes financial obligations for the maintenance of the two pet cats.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Many strokes are reversible if clot-dissolving therapy (thrombolysis) or clot removal (thrombectomy) is given early.

By Dr. Maqsood Ahmed A.R. - Senior Consultant Neurosurgeon (Cerebrovascular and Endovascular Surgery) - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Rotary Mysore Midtown extends support to Palliative Care Centre

Rotary Mysore Midtown has extended support to the Palliative Care Centre (a joint initiative of SVYM and MMC&RI) through donations totalling Rs. 75,000, comprising both medicines and monetary contributions. Picture shows *(from left)* ***District Secretary-General Rtn. S. Raghavendra handing over the cheque to Hon. Director of Palliative Care Centre Ramakrishna Mudre as Dr. Vibha, Rotary Midtown President Rtn. Rakesh Babu and Hon. Secretary Rtn. Bhaskar Sainik look on.***

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **124.80 feet**	Today's level **2,283.92 feet**	Today's level **2,858.28 feet**
Last year's level **124.80 feet**	Last year's level **2,283.79 feet**	Last year's level **2,856.55 feet**
Saturday's level **124.80 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,283.92 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,858.33 feet**
Today's Inflow **4,328 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,531 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **944 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **4,072 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,429 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,112 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Lagori is an ancient Indian game with a history dating back over 5,000 years, mentioned in texts like the Bhagwata Purana and associated with Lord Krishna. It is played between two teams, where one team tries to knock down a stack of seven flat stones with a ball and then rebuild it before being hit by the opposing team with the ball.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Mother: *Prakash you got two prizes you said, what for?*
Prakash: *One for scoring more marks for memory test.*
Mother: *Second prize?*
Prakash: *That is what I am trying to remember!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 88.06
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 117.23
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.98
1 Euro	= Rs. 102.42

VOICE OF THE READER

Miserable arterial roads in Hebbal Industrial Area

Sir,

It has been years since these three main arterial roads in Hebbal Industrial Area have been in a state of total disrepair. The authorities have proven that they don't care.

1) The road linking the Outer Ring Road (ORR) to Automotive Axles via Damden Apartments no longer exists.

2) The Infosys Road linking the ORR to Infosys - deep potholes begin as soon as you leave the ORR.

3) The junction at Marc Batteries and Theorem, dug up for drainage work, was never repaired. Riddled with potholes as deep as 6 inches brings all the traffic to a grinding halt.

It is time for the employees of industries who have to endure this nonsense daily to protest and bring the authorities concerned to the spot and get them to repair the roads.

Or do we need a VIP to visit to get these roads sorted out? After all, only VIPs are entitled to good roads in this country, while we taxpayers have to put up with all the inconveniences and gross negligence of the authorities with a smile.

—Neil D'Costa
Hebbal
14.10.2025

Hearing aids distributed to impaired children

A CSR INITIATIVE BY CANFIN HOMES LIMITED
DISTRIBUTION OF HEARING AIDS FOR
150 CHILDREN OF MYSORE DEAF SCHOOLS
26th October 2025

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (MK&DM)- Hearing aids were distributed to 150 hearing impaired children of Mysuru at a programme organised by All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) at its premises on Bogadi Road in the city on Sunday, in collaboration with Mysuru District Deaf Association and Lions International (District 317-G) Nisarga & Mayuri, under CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) initiative of Canfin Homes Limited.

Speaking on the occasion, AIISH Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi said that as many as 73,000 people visited AIISH this year, most of them with complaints of hearing impairment.

Pointing out that AIISH has identified 12 categories of disability, she said that the Institute, apart from curing these ailments, has been providing rehabilitation to people with disabilities.

Expressing concern over rising cases of speech and hearing impairment among children, she said that hearing aids have come to the help of such children and modern methods of speech therapy has been a boon to speech impaired children. The beneficiaries must use the hearing aids properly and with more care, Dr. Pushpavathi said adding that the programme was organised under the theme 'Hear with confidence with a hearing aid.'

Canfin Homes Limited CEO Suresh S. Iyer, in his address, said that any physical handicap cannot be said as disability. Over and above this, one must realise that such persons have speciality of a different kind which needs to be discovered. This apart, every special child has a special talent and such children have a bright future, he maintained.

Canfin Homes Limited President Prakash Shanbhog, Deputy General Manager Prashant Joshi, Bengaluru Canara Bank retired Assistant General Manager K.N. Shamarao, Lions Club District Governor K.L. Rajashekar, Mysuru District Deaf Association President S. Murthy, Vice-President Mahesh Varma, Lions Club Mysore President Kumar, Sumitra Murthy, Jayakumar, Srinivas and others were present on the occasion.

TJS George Endowment Natl. Award for Editors

TJS George

Bengaluru, Oct. 27 (OSR)- Member of Legislative Council (MLC) K. Shivakumar has announced the establishment of **TJS George Endowment National Award** at the Karnataka Media Academy.

The award will be instituted in memory of the late veteran journalist TJS George and will recognise editors from across the country who uphold fairness and integrity in journalism.

Speaking after being felicitated at the Academy recently, MLC Shivakumar recalled his long association with journalism and said he had earlier instituted the Mookanayaka Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Endowment Award to honour columnists writing on social justice issues.

Remembering TJS George, Shivakumar said, "He was a truly impartial journalist who personally mentored and guided reporters, editing their work with care and precision. To honour his legacy, I am contributing Rs. 1.5 lakh as an endowment to recognise editors who embody similar journalistic values."

Shivakumar said that even though he is now in the Legislative Council, his commitment to journalism remains strong. "I have not distanced myself from journalism. I will continue to raise the concerns of journalists and the media sector in the legislature," he assured, while reminiscing about his time as a journalist and as a Member of the Academy.

Karnataka Media Academy Chairperson Ayesha Khanum praised Shivakumar's contribution to journalism, noting that he has been active in the field for over three decades.

Memorandum to DC over garbage menace near hospital

Mysuru city Jayakarnataka activists presenting a memorandum to DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy.

Mysuru, Oct.27- Activists of Jayakarnataka, Mysuru Unit, submitted a memorandum to Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy recently complaining about private individuals frequently and illegally dumping garbage behind Nirmala Hospital using hired autos and tempos and setting heaps of garbage on fire. They also appealed the DC to end this menace.

"The poisonous smoke and odour is spreading around the surrounding areas. The smoke of plastic and medical waste is seriously harming the environment and there is also a danger of fire spreading to Chamundi Hill," said the protestors in their memorandum to the DC and appealed him to take a serious note of this and take necessary action.

State Organising Secretary of Jayakarnataka Vijay Gowda, City President Harsha Gowda, KR Constituency President Sanjay Singh, District Secretary Satishkumar, City Advisor Phaneesh, Executive Committee members Radha Shivaraj, Abhishek, Naveen, Nandan and others were present during their visit to DC Office.

Selected for State-level Athletics

Mysuru, Oct. 27 - **R. Kishan,** a II PUC student of Ramakrishna Vidyakendra Composite PU College, who won gold medal in the 3000 mts run at District-level Athletics Championship held recently, has been selected to represent the District in State-level Athletics Championship.

Cowherd killed in tiger attack

Just 10 days back, a tiger had grievously injured a farmer at Badagalapura

Rajashekar

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (MTY&KS)- A 54-year-old man, who was grazing his cattle was killed when a tiger attacked him at Bennegere village, near Mulluru in Saragur taluk yesterday morning.

The deceased has been identified as Rajashekar, a resident of Bennegere village and fear-gripped villagers have demanded the officials concerned to control the menace by wild animals.

There is a wild growth of bushes on hundreds of acres of land from Odeyanapura and Kudurehundi Halla near Bennegere village, close to Mulluru village, bordering Bandipur Tiger Reserve till Nugu River, making it a perfect shelter for wild animals. These wild animals frequently raid the villages in forest borders, killing and carrying away domesticated animals.

Yesterday morning, when Rajashekar was grazing his cattle in his field, the tiger, which was hiding among the bushes, pounced on him, struck him on the face with its claws and bit him on the shoulder.

Meanwhile, Rajashekar's house-help Naga, who saw the tiger attacking Rajashekar, began to scream, resulting in the tiger leaving Rajashekar and running towards Naga. When the tiger closed-in on Naga, he began to run to save his life and the tiger fled towards the forest.

Meanwhile, villagers, who heard about the tiger attack, rushed to the spot, but Rajashekar, who had sustained serious injuries on his face, food and wind pipe, had breathed his last by then.

Second tiger attack

This in the second tiger attack in a span of 10 days in Saragur region, which has caused tensed moments in the region.

Meanwhile, Forest officials, who arrived at the spot under the protection of Saragur Police, tried to convince the villagers and MLA Anil Chikkamadu, who too reached the spot held talks with the villagers.

The villagers told the MLA that the menace of wild animals was frequent in villages bordering the forest besides stating that the wild animals were killing their livestock causing a lot of problems to them. They urged the MLA to take steps to control wild animals straying out of the forests and killing people and domesticated animals.

The villagers also demanded compensation be paid to the family of Rajashekar and also a job in the Forest Department to one of his two children. In his reply, Anil Chikkamadu assured that he would get Rs. 20 lakh compensation from the State Government and also a job to one of deceased Rajashekar's family member in the Forest Department, following which the villagers allowed the body to be shifted to MMC&RI mortuary in Mysuru for post-mortem.

Bandipur Tiger Reserve Director S. Prabhakar, who was present at the spot, assured of providing all facilities from the Forest Department. Mysuru Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Paramesh and other Forest officials were present.

It may be recalled that on Oct. 17, a tiger attacked one Mahadevegowda at Badagalapura, seriously injuring him on his face resulting in him losing vision on one of his eyes.

Mahadevegowda, who is undergoing treatment at Apollo BGS Hospital in Mysuru is said to be recovering.

Meanwhile, Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre, who had participated in a programme at Saragur and returned to Bengaluru, received information about the tiger killing a man in Saragur region, has condoled the death of Rajashekar.

The Minister will be holding a meeting with senior Forest officials at the Office of the Bandipur Tiger Reserve Director this afternoon.

Forest Minister gheraoed

Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre was gheraoed by the villagers and relatives of deceased Rajashekar, when he arrived at MMC&RI mortuary in Mysuru this morning.

As soon as the Minister arrived, villagers, representatives of various farmer organisations and the family members and relatives of the deceased surrounded him and questioned him about the measures being taken to curb the menace of wild animals in villages bordering forests.

They told the Minister that people were living in fear even during daytime and agricultural activities had come to a standstill due to fear of tiger attacks, which had taken place twice in Saragur region recently.

They also submitted a memorandum urging the Forest Minister to protect them from wild animals attack.

Cook from Hunsur drowns in canal

Prabhu

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (KS)- A cook from Hunsur, who had come to prepare food for a house warming ceremony, was drowned after he slipped and fell into Varuna Canal on Oct. 23.

The deceased is Prabhu (41), a resident of Maruthi Layout in Hunsur and his body was traced after two days. He is survived by his wife and two children.

Prabhu, along with one Surendra and others had come to Shyadanahalli in Mysuru to prepare food for a house warming ceremony. At about 7.30 pm, he went near Varuna canal to answer nature's call during which he slipped and fell into the canal and was swept away due to strong water current resulting in those with him unable to rescue Prabhu.

Based on the complaint from Prabhu's wife, Metagalli Police, who had registered a case, launched a search operation to trace the body but in vain.

Finally, the body was traced in the canal near Jal Mahal Resort in Mysuru South Police limits on Oct. 25.

Body was shifted to MMC&RI mortuary, where post-mortem was conducted and the body was handed over to the family members, according to Metagalli Inspector Arun.

Road-kill: Fox killed on Mysuru-Bannur Road

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (MTY&KS)- A fox was killed on the spot when an unidentified vehicle hit the fox when it was crossing the road near Tanthigulla on Mysuru-Bannur Main Road, it is learnt.

Indiscriminate poaching is driving foxes on the verge of extinction. It is also a good news that foxes are being spotted at some places but at the same time many foxes are being victims of road-kills, an alarming fact.

Foxes which are attracted to meat wastes dumped indiscriminately on road sides come in search of it and are getting killed by vehicles. Wildlife experts have urged the officials concerned to take steps in this regard.

Obituary

Mohammed Haneef Khan

Mysuru, Oct. 27- Mohammed Haneef Khan (64), onion merchant at Bandipalya and a resident of Udayagiri, near D. Banumaiah Polytechnic College, passed away following brief illness this morning.

He leaves behind his wife, two daughters, six brothers including Bengaluru DCP Mohammed Sajjad Khan and Mysore District Chemists and Druggists Welfare Association Secretary Amanulla Khan and a host of relatives & friends. Namaz-e-Janaza will be performed today after Isha Salath (8.15 pm) at Masjid Khurshid in Lashkar Mohalla, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds in R.S. Naidu Nagar, according to family sources.

Alhaj Abdul Khader

Alhaj Abdul Khader (85), a resident of Udayagiri, passed away at his son's residence in Canada yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife, sons former Chairman of Mysore District Waqf Advisory Committee Ghayaz Ahmed and Ajmal Khader and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held at IPC Jame Masjid at Mississauga in Canada yesterday, followed by the burial at Brampton Memorial Gardens, Brampton, Canada, according to family sources.

Tasneema Khanum

Tasneema Khanum (80), wife of senior Urdu journalist late Khaleed Bebak and a resident of Muneshwaranagar in Udayagiri, passed away following brief illness yesterday midnight in city.

She leaves behind two daughters, two sons including Safder Khaisar, Reporter, Urdu Rashtriya Sahara and Kausar Digital Social Media, Mysuru and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be held today after Isha Salath (8.15 pm) at Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

11th and 12th Championship Dog Shows

German Shepherd, Golden Retriever crowned champions

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (VVH&BCT)- A German Shepherd was adjudged Best in Show (Champion) at the 11th Championship Dog Show and Obedience Trials organised by the Canine Club of Mysore, affiliated with the Kennel Club of India, at the Scouts and Guides Grounds near the Old DC's Office in city yesterday. In the 12th edition, a Golden Retriever clinched the top honour.

The 11th National Dog Show was held in memory of late Dr. K.B. Ganapathy, Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra*, with the winning German Shepherd receiving a special award in his honour. The 12th edition was dedicated to former MLA Vasu, and the victorious Golden Retriever was presented with a commemorative prize.

The judging panel comprised eminent experts — C.V. Sudarshan from Chennai, International Judge Derrick Seow Nam Soon, a life member of The Malaysia Kennel Association and M.R. Manjunath from Bengaluru.

Canine Club of Mysore office-bearers — President B.P. Manjunath, Vice-Presidents Dr. D.T. Jayaramaiah and Dr. H.C. Suresh, Secretary Dr. H. Sanjeev Murthy, Joint Secretaries T. Shashikumar, M.H. Tejaswi and L.S. Sandeep, Treasurer M.C. Vinod Kumar and members Prasad, Abhishek, Kumaraswamy, Suman, Harsha, Sanjay, Shekhar and Mohan — were present on the occasion.

The German Shepherd, which won the 11th National Dog Show organised in memory of late Dr. K.B. Ganapathy, Founder-Editor of** Star of Mysore **and** Mysuru Mithra**, by the Canine Club of Mysore, at the Scouts and Guides Grounds near the Old DC's Office in city yesterday, is seen with Club President B.P. Manjunath and others.

Winners all

In the 12th National Dog Show, the Golden Retriever was crowned Best in Show (Champion), followed by the German Shepherd in second place and the Boxer in third. The Beagle took fourth place, the Doberman fifth, the Whippet sixth, the Standard Dachshund seventh and the Pug eighth.

At the 11th National Dog Show, the German Shepherd claimed the Best in Show title. The Doberman was placed second, followed by the Great Dane in third. The Labrador Retriever stood fourth, the Boxer fifth, the Pug sixth, the Basset Hound seventh and the Golden Retriever eighth.

The Golden Retriever, which won the 12th National Dog Show organised in memory of former MLA late Vasu by the Canine Club of Mysore, at the Scouts and Guides Grounds near the Old DC's Office in city yesterday.

National Conference at Teresian College

Mysuru, Oct. 27- Teresian College Research Centre (Commerce), in association with IQAC, has organised a one-day National Conference on 'Emerging Paradigms in Research Methodology' at the College premises in city on Oct. 28.

Prof. N.K. Lokanath, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore (UoM), will inaugurate the event at 9.30 am. Prof. N. Nagaraja, Registrar (Evaluation), UoM, will deliver the keynote address.

Dr. P.S. Immaculate, Professor, Department of Management Studies, Sri Sai Ram Institute of Technology, Chennai; Dr. Sr. Rohini, Principal; Rev. Sr. Anjali, Manager, Teresian Institutions, Dr. Veena M. D'Almeida, Director of Research; Dr. P.M. Shiva Prasad, Assistant Professor and Guide, and other dignitaries will attend the inaugural session.

During the course of the day, distinguished academicians and scholars will present insightful talks on the Emerging Paradigms in Research Methodology.

For details, contact S. Tanuja on Mob: 81234-86769, according to a press release.

PM Modi hails inclusion of Mudhol Hound in BSF, CRPF

New Delhi, Oct. 27 (PIB)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday congratulated the Border Security Force (BSF) and the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) for their efforts to increase the number of Indian dog breeds in their ranks.

In the 127th episode of *Mann Ki Baat*, the PM said, he looked forward to celebrating Rashtriya Ekta Diwas — Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's birth anniversary — on Oct. 31, when, in a historic first, a contingent of indigenous Indian breed dogs will march at the Ekta Diwas Parade in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat. Parade will mark the first-ever display of an all-Indian dog squad at a national event, symbolising the country's growing confidence in its own Atmanirbhar K9 capabilities.

The BSF's marching contingent will feature breeds such as the Mudhol Hound and the Rampur Hound — Indian dogs that have been trained for complex security tasks, including narcotics detection, tracking and anti-Naxal operations. Recalling his earlier appeal made during *Mann Ki Baat* in 2020, the PM said, "Many of you would remember that about five years ago, I discussed Indian breeds of dogs in this programme. I had urged my fellow citizens and our security forces to adopt Indian breeds of dogs, as they adapt more easily to our environment and conditions. I am happy to say that our security agencies have made commendable efforts in this direction. BSF and CRPF have increased the number of Indian breed dogs in their contingents."

Back in 2020, when the country's Police and Paramilitary forces largely relied on foreign breeds such as German Shepherds, Labradors and Belgian Malinois, Modi had urged the adoption of Indian breeds as equally capable and more resilient alternatives better suited for India's diverse terrain and climate.

This revival, however, began even earlier. In 2018, during his visit to the National Training Centre for Dogs (NTCD) in Tekanpur, Modi had called for the inclusion of local breeds in the country's security apparatus.

Following this, the BSF initiated a structured training and induction programme for breeds such as the Rampur Hound from Uttar Pradesh and the Mudhol Hound from the Deccan Plateau.

At the CRPF's Dog Breeding and Training School in Bengaluru, Indian breeds including Mongrels, Mudhol Hounds, Kombai and Pandikona are now being trained, the Prime Minister said.

Ayurveda Meet in city on Nov. 6, 7 to discuss digestive system

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (BS)- Vishwa Ayurveda Parishad, in association with Karnataka State Open University (KSOU), has organised Samyojanam - National Ayurveda Conference, on Nov. 6 and 7 at KSOU's Convocation Hall in city.

The Conference will mainly hold discussions about pachana (digestive system) related ailments. About 1,200 delegates from Karnataka and other States will be attending the Conference.

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot and Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will be participating in the inaugural session. Dr. Manjunath will be delivering the keynote address.

About 10 resource persons will be attending the Conference, that includes paper presentation, rendition of slokas and screening of video clips.

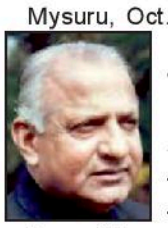
The accommodation facility for outstation delegates will be made at KSOU, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram and other venues. The transportation arrangements will be taken care of by Dr. Chandrashekar of Cauvery Hospital and Maharaja Education Trust (MET) Chairman S. Murali. The food related arrangements will be made by Suttur Mutt in coordination with KSOU.

A meeting of Advisory Committee of the Conference was held at BSS Vidyodaya, Krishnamurthypuram in city recently.

Unveil Devaraj Urs' statue at DC Office in Mysuru on Nov. 1

MLC Vishwanath and State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu Kautilya urge Govt.

MLC A.H. Vishwanath addressing a press meet at Jaladarshini Guest House as State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu Kautilya looks on.



Devaraj Urs

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (BLU&DM)- MLC A.H. Vishwanath has urged the Government to unveil the statue of late former Chief Minister of Karnataka D. Devaraj Urs in front of the new Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Office on Bannur Road, Siddarthanagar in the city on Nov. 1.

Addressing a press meet at Jaladarshini Guest House here this morning, Vishwanath said that the previous BJP Government headed by B.S. Yediyurappa had sanctioned Rs. 92 lakh for the installation of the statue. The work on the statue began when Raghu Kautilya was the Chairman of Karnataka Backward Classes Commission during BJP rule in the State. But even after a couple of years since then, the statue is yet to be installed, he regretted.

Pointing out that it was Devaraj Urs, as the Chief Minister then, who renamed Mysore State as Karnataka State on Nov. 1, 1973, the MLC said that as such, the State Government should unveil the statue of Devaraj Urs in front of the Mysuru DC Office in Siddarthanagar on Nov.1, marking Kannada Rajyotsava. If not, the MP, MLAs and other elected representatives will themselves unveil the statue on Nov. 1, he warned.

Stating that the over century old DC Office building along Hunsur Road has been lying under a state of neglect, Vishwanath lamented the poor maintenance of the heritage structure and demanded that the State Government take immediate measures for proper conservation of all heritage structures in the city.

State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu Kautilya, who also addressed the press meet, said that the statue of Devaraj Urs should be unveiled on Nov.1 as it is timely to coincide with Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations.

As the first Chief Minister from the backward classes in the State, Urs is remembered as a reformer who established the Backward Classes Welfare Department and is considered a "voice of the voiceless."

Pointing out that it was Yediyurappa as the CM, who first sanctioned money for the statue, he wondered what jealousy CM Siddaramaiah has towards Devaraj Urs, a champion of backward classes, social justice and the oppressed and a key figure in the upliftment of the marginalised in Karnataka.

DCP warns rowdies

***DCP(Law and Order) R.N. Bindu Mani** (centre), warning the rowdy-sheeters during a Rowdy Parade of those in Jayalakshmipuram and V.V. Puram Police limits, held at Jayalakshmipuram Police Station premises recently. Over 50 anti-social elements on the rowdy list attended the parade. DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj was also present.*

WHEEL LOCK!

- **Clampdown on illegal parking as wheel locks back in action**
- **City Traffic Police to launch special drive to book violators**

A Police personnel attached to Devaraja Police Station walks with a wheel lock in hand to check unregulated parking on busy Sayyaji Rao Road this noon.

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The Central Business District (CBD) — especially Devaraja Market area — is always bustling with activity during the day, drawing people from across the city and nearby villages who visit to buy essentials or sell their produce.

However, the locality lacks adequate parking facilities, particularly for four-wheelers. As a result, cars are often parked unscientifically along Sayyaji Rao Road, blocking two-wheelers parked between Dufferin Clock and Dhanvanthri Road junction and causing severe inconvenience to commuters between K.R. Circle and Government Ayurveda Medical College and Hospital.

Moreover, the unregulated parking, combined with barricades placed down the middle of the road, narrows the carriageway, resulting in traffic congestion and slow movement of vehicles.

Similar issues persist on the busy Dhanvanthri Road — between Janata Bazaar and Bata junction — and on Boti Bazaar Road adjacent to Devaraja Market.

Repeated complaints

Following repeated public complaints, ACP (Traffic) M. Shivashankar and Devaraja Traffic Inspector Mamatha, along with staff, visited the area this morning, videographed the haphazardly parked vehicles and conducted a special enforcement drive. They locked the wheels of cars parked in violation of rules, sparing only those with drivers seated inside. Notices were pasted on the windshields of offending vehicles, along with contact details for further action.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* ACP (Traffic) M. Shivashankar said, "Traffic personnel have been instructed to take strict action against unscientific parking. Despite repeated awareness drives, a few motorists continue to flout rules and cause public inconvenience. We will continue to conduct such drives."

Dr. B.V. Rajagopal passes away

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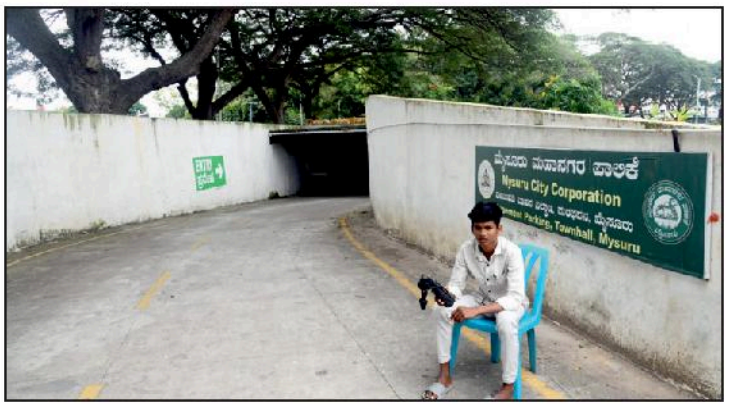
Dr. B.V. Rajagopal joined Government Medical College, Bangalore, in 1956 and received the certificate as the 'Best Outgoing Student' in 1956. He did his Post-Graduation in Lucknow University in 1965 and Post Doctoral training in Medicine and Cardiology in USA and UK for three years.

Dr. Rajagopal was the first private Medical Consultant in Mysuru city to set up facilities that included ECG, Path Lab X-ray Unit and Physiotherapy. He was the Professor of Medicine at Adichunchanagiri Medical College for ten years, Honorary Professor of Medicine at Mysore Medical College for six years and National Professor of Medicine, IMA College of General Practitioners, for three years.

Motorists shy away from Town Hall parking facility



Even as roads in the CBD continue to face congestion due to a lack of parking discipline, the multi-level parking facility at the Town Hall premises — constructed by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) — remains largely unused.

Since its inception, the structure has seen little patronage, with people avoiding it except during the Dasara season. Motorists often choose to park illegally on busy streets to evade paying parking fees.

MCC Development Officer (Zone 6) Venkatesh said, "Despite providing facilities and issuing tenders for operation, the public has not come forward to use the multi-level parking as they are unwilling to pay nominal parking charges."

He added that people who frequently demand better facilities must also recognise their responsibility in using such infrastructure to ensure smooth traffic movement across the Central Business District, including New Sayyaji Rao Road, Devaraja Urs Road, Ashoka Road, Dhanvanthri Road, Gandhi Square and surrounding areas.

Golden Jubilee of Karnataka State Pollution Control Board

Protecting nature vital for mankind's survival: Minister

Forest Minister Eshwar B. Khandre, along with KSPCB Chairman P.M. Narendraswamy and MLAs G.T. Devegowda & K. Harishgowda, lighting the lamp to inaugurate the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) Mysuru Regional Office at Maharaja's College Grounds in city this morning as others look on.

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (MK&DM)- Stressing that protecting the environment and conserving nature is crucial for the planet's future, Minister for Forest, Ecology and Environment Eshwar B. Khandre said that both the nation and the earth can survive only if ecology is safeguarded.

He was speaking after inaugurating the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Mysuru Regional Office of the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB), which covers Mysuru and Kodagu districts, at Maharaja's College Grounds in the city this morning.

Beginning his address with the Kannada phrase 'Kadu Belesi - Nadu Ulisi... Hasire Usiru,' Khandre recalled the contribution of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi towards environmental protection.

"The Pollution Control Board was established in 1974 by Indira Gandhi. Her legacy in protecting the environment from the threats of industrial pollution and ecological damage is highly relevant today, when rapid modernisation is accelerating environmental destruction," he said.

He noted that the disasters and calamities witnessed across the world due to climate change are a direct consequence of nature's degradation. "Global warming is another serious outcome of ecological imbalance. Man cannot survive without nature, and it is imperative that we collectively think and act to safeguard humanity from natural disasters," he added. Emphasising that there is only one earth for all living beings, the Minister said, it is our duty to preserve it for future generations by using natural resources judiciously. "Everyone must take responsibility by planting at least one tree in their surroundings," he urged.

Expressing concern over the growing instances of man-animal conflict, Khandre said, the main reason was dwindling forest cover. Referring to the incident in Saragur taluk on Saturday, where a man was killed in a tiger attack, he said, the Department is studying ways to reduce such conflicts, particularly in forest-fringe areas.

KSPCB Chairman P.M. Narendraswamy, in his address, said that neglecting ecology is akin to forgetting our future. He lauded the KSPCB's five-decade-long contribution to safeguarding the environment.

He noted that the Indira Priyadarshini Award is presented annually to individuals engaged in environmental conservation and announced that the Board is implementing new measures to prevent pollution of water resources. He sought the cooperation of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to stop the flow of industrial and other wastes into water bodies.

"It is concerning that plastic waste generation is rising in the old Mysuru region. Everyone must strive to make Mysuru truly plastic-free. The KSPCB will collaborate with the MCC to reclaim the top position in the cleanest cities ranking," he said, urging citizens to contribute to conserving nature — the key to humanity's survival amid the growing challenges of climate change and global warming.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLA and Jungle Lodges & Resorts Chairman Anil Chikkamadu, MLAs G.T. Devegowda and K. Harishgowda, Cauvery (CADA) Chairman Mariswamy, Mysore Paints and Varnish Limited (formerly Mysore Lac and Paints Limited) Chairman H.D. Ganesh, KSPCB Member Mariswamygowda, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif, ZP CEO S. Ukesh Kumar, Addl. DC P. Shivaraj and several other leaders were present.

'Indira Priyadarshini' Environment Awards presented

The prestigious 'Indira Priyadarshini' Environment Award was presented to 6 institutions/ individuals on the occasion.

The awardees are: Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering, Mysuru (Dr. G.M. Sadashiva Murthy, Professor and Head of the Department of Environmental Engineering); Madilu Educational and Rural Development Organisation, Mysuru (Srinivas - Executive Director); Keerthi D'Souza, Environmentalist and Social Activist, Executive Director, Seeds of Sustainability; Bharat Scouts & Guides, Madikeri, Kodagu district; Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat, Kodagu District Committee; and Humane World for Animals, Hudikeri, Ponnampet taluk, Kodagu district.

Green message lost amid plastic flex banners at KSPCB event

Students walk past the huge cut-outs of top Congress leaders installed near Maharaja's College Grounds.

The Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) Golden Jubilee celebrations — an official Government event — ironically resembled a political rally, with Congress flags, banners, buntings, cut-outs and portraits of ruling party leaders made of plastic and flex materials dotting the Maharaja's College Grounds and stretches along JLB Road. The massive display of plastic posters and flex cut-outs stood in stark contrast to the very purpose of the KSPCB — an agency meant to curb all forms of pollution, including plastic waste.

Woman killed as reversing bus knocks her down

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (KS)- A woman from Kerala was killed, while another woman sustained injuries when a reversing Kerala tourist bus allegedly knocked them down at KRS parking lot yesterday night.

While the deceased has been identified as Kausalya of a village near Kollam in Kerala, the injured woman has been identified as Narayani. The two women, after visiting Brindavan Gardens, came to the parking lot and were having their dinner when the tourist bus, which had brought students from Koppam in Kerala knocked them down when the driver reversed the bus causing serious injuries to the two women on their head and face.

Though the injured were rushed to a private hospital in Mysuru, Kausalya succumbed to injuries while Narayani is undergoing treatment in an Intensive Care Unit (ICU). KRS Police are investigating.

Research should reach the common man: VTU VC

Dr. S. Vidyashankar, Vice-Chancellor of Visvesvaraya Technological University, seen addressing the participants at an International Conference organised by Mysuru Royal Institute of Technology at its campus in Srirangapatna on Friday as others look on.

Mandya, Oct. 27- "The real need of the hour is to ensure that research benefits society and reaches the common man," said Dr. S. Vidyashankar, Vice-Chancellor (VC) of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi.

Speaking after inaugurating the International Conference on Communication, Computer, and Information Technology (IC3IT-2025) organised by Mysuru Royal Institute of Technology (MRIT) at its premises in Lakshmipura, Srirangapatna, on Friday, he noted that the world is witnessing a revolution in communication technology with advancements in 5G and 6G, and even research on 7G in progress.

"India is among the largest producers of engineers and our talent is contributing across the globe. But research must move beyond publications. It should translate into products that improve lives, especially of the poor," he said.

The conference was technically co-sponsored by the IEEE Bangalore Section and the IEEE Mysore Subsection.

While India produces nearly 20 lakh engineers annually and 30 percent of NASA's scientists are Indians, the VC stressed that the challenge lies in ensuring research outcomes reach the grassroots.

"Today, much of our research remains confined to journals. The real question every researcher must ask is — what is the societal impact of my work?" he emphasised. He pointed out that despite technological advances, remote parts of India still struggle with basic internet access. "During COVID, to get internet students climbed trees to attend online classes. We must innovate technologies that can bridge such gaps — like communication systems that work without internet," he noted.

VTU to launch Research Promotion Scheme

Highlighting future directions, Dr. Vidyashankar announced that VTU would soon launch a Research Promotion Scheme to encourage faculty to focus on product-oriented research.

"With India set to establish its first quantum computer by February, the future lies in quantum computing and artificial intelligence. Our goal must be to make India technologically self-reliant and lead towards a Viksit Bharat," he concluded.

In all, 180 technical papers were presented during the day-long conference. The accepted papers will be published in the IEEE Xplore Digital Library, providing global visibility to the authors and their affiliated institutions.

Nandini N. Murthy, Mysore Royal Educational Trust Secretary, Rossana Caputo, Senior Business Advisor, Equinox Advisory Ltd., Malta and Europe President, MIICT, Bernard Mallia, CEO, Equinox Group, Malta, and President, IRISS, Malta, Dr. B.D. Parameshachari, Vice Chair (MDC), IEEE Bangalore Section, Professor & Head, Dept. of ECE, NMIT, Bengaluru and Ravichandra Kulkarni, Chair, IEEE Mysore Subsection and Dean (Research), MIT Mysore, K.S Abhinandhan, Principal, MRIT and N. Nakul, Vice-Principal, MRIT, were also present.

Nation Builder Awards presented

Nation Builder Awardees** (sitting from left) **Prof. V.K. Jose, former Principal of Teresian College; Dr. Usha Hegde, Professor at JSS Dental College & Hospital; Dr. K. Sowmya Erappa, Principal of Seshadripuram Degree College; Dr. Lancy D'Souza, Professor of Psychology at Maharaja's College and Dr. C. Nataraju, Principal of SJCE seen with** (standing from left) **Rtn. M.S. Jayaprakash, Rtn. Swamy, Rtn. K.S.N. Prasad, Rtn. N. Sachidananda Murthy, Rtn. G.K Balakrishnan, Rtn. Anthony Moses, Rtn. Jyothi Ashok, Rtn. Rajesh Darera, Rtn. Vivik Attava and Rtn. Dr. Prathap Kumar Shetty.

Mysuru, Oct. 27 (KS)- Rotary Central Mysore, Zone 7, RI District 3181, had organised a function to present Nation Builder Awards to achievers at Rotary Central Hall, Hebbal in city recently.

PDG Rtn. G.K. Balakrishnan, who was the chief guest, honoured distinguished educators including Dr. C. Nataraju, Prof. V.K. Jose, Dr. Lancy D'Souza, Dr. Usha Hegde and Dr. K. Sowmya Erapppa, recognising their remarkable contributions in shaping future generations and building the nation through knowledge and service.

President of Rotary Central Mysore Rtn. Anthony Moses along with Hon. Secretary Rtn. Jyothi Ashok and Vocational Service Director Rtn. N. Sachidananda Murthy were present.

CFTRI Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Oct. 27- The following students, who carried out Research at CSIR-CFTRI during July 1 to Sept. 30, have been awarded Ph.D degrees by the Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research (AcSIR):

P. Navyashree - Thesis: Diversity oriented synthesis of zerumbone analogues and their anti-inflammatory activity in diabetic Animal Model; **Supervisor:** Dr. B.K. Bettadaiah, Sr. Principal Scientist, Department of Plantation Products, Spices & Flavour Technology, CSIR-CFTRI.

Pratiksha Prabhakar Gawali - Thesis: Development of essential oil-based bio-fumigant and its efficacy against major stored-product insect pests; **Supervisor:** Dr. Sudheer Kumar Yannam, Sr. Principal Scientist, Department of Traditional Foods & Applied Nutrition, CSIR-CFTRI.

Kodape Anup Ramdas - Thesis: Studies on aflatoxin-producing Aspergillus flavus and Aspergillus parasiticus in groundnuts and their mitigation strategies; **Supervisor:** Dr. C.S. Vivek Babu, Sr. Principal Scientist, Department of Food Protectants & Infestation Control, CSIR-CFTRI.

P.K. Saarika - Thesis: To understand the mechanism of ferulic acid-rich nutraceutical formulation to combat oxidative stress by modulating gut microbiota; **Supervisor:** Dr. Mahejibin Khan, Principal Scientist, Department of Microbiology & Fermentation Technology, CSIR-CFTRI.

Monisha Arya - Thesis: Implications of statistical and biotechnological methods for enhancing bioactive compounds in chili *(Capsicum annuum L.)*; **Supervisor:** Dr. P. Giridhar, Director, CSIR-CFTRI.

V. Anushma - Thesis: Preparation, characterization and application of biofunctionalsialoglycoprotein hydrolysate from rohu *(Labeorohita)* roes; **Supervisor:** Dr. Tanaji G. Kudre, Principal Scientist, Department of Meat & Marine Science, CSIR-CFTRI.

N. Anagha - Thesis: Mechanistic Understanding of Antitubercular Drug Resistance in *Bifidobacteriumadolescentis;* **Supervisor:** Dr. K. Rajagopal, Chief Scientist, Department of Biochemistry, CSIR-CFTRI.

S. Akshatha - Thesis: Feruloylated Arabinoxylan from Maize bran: Structural insights, anticancer effects on colon cancer cells and nutraceutical potential; **Supervisor:** Dr. Sachin M. Eligar, Principal Scientist, Department of Traditional Foods & Applied Nutrition, CSIR-CFTRI.

K.V. Soujanya - Thesis: Development of finger millet *(Eleusinecoracana)* seed coat and endosperm based functional food ingredients and their phenolic profile and bioactive properties; **Supervisor:** Dr. G. Suresh Kumar, Principal Scientist, Department of Biochemistry, CSIR-CFTRI.

Pratibha Kumar - Thesis: Understanding the mechanism of MksBEF mediated genome condensation in *Mycobacterium smegmatis*; **Supervisor:** Dr. Kunal Sharan, Sr. Scientist, Department of Molecular Nutrition, CSIR-CFTRI.

M. Harshitha - Thesis: Synthesis of Conjugates of Low Molecular Weight Chitosan with Selected Nutraceuticals and Their Cytotoxicity Studies; **Supervisor:** Dr. B.K. Bettadaiah, Sr. Principal Scientist, Department of Plantation Products, Spices & Flavour Technology, CSIR-CFTRI.

Lagamawwa V. Hipparagi - Thesis: Synthesis of Amadoriand Heyns Compounds relevant to Flavours and Prebiotic significance of Amadoriand Heynsreactions; **Supervisor:** Dr. Nanishankar V. Harohally, Sr. Principal Scientist, Department of Plantation Products, Spices & Flavour Technology, CSIR-CFTRI.

K.S. Naresh - Thesis: Development and application of NMR Methods for quantification and encapsulation studies of curcuminoids; **Supervisor:** Dr. Sachin R. Chaudhari, Principal Scientist, Department of Plantation Products, Spices & Flavour Technology, CSIR-CFTRI.

Md. Touseef Khan - Thesis: Effect of nano-encapsulated apocynin and vanillic acid from PicrorhizaKurroa against fumonisin B1-induced abnormal fatty acid metabolism in vitro and in vivo; **Supervisor:** Dr. S.P. Muthukumar, Chief Scientist, Department of Biochemistry, CSIR-CFTRI.

'Miracle Star' wins Mysore Derby

G. Venkatesh, Chairman & Senior Steward, Mysore Race Club Ltd. (MRC), presenting 'The Mysore Derby (Gr.1)' trophy to Sharmila Padmanabhan (The estate of late S. Padmanabhan rep. Radiant Bloodstock Pvt. Ltd.), owner of 'Miracle Star,' which won the races on the 15th day of Mysore (Monsoon) Races 2025 held at Mysore Race Club (MRC) in city yesterday. The winning horse, trained by James Mckeown, was ridden by Jockey Suraj Narredu. Also seen are MRC Stewards and Committee Members.

Bangalore Turf Club Trophy for 'Gold Kite'

Dr. N. Nithyanand Rao, Steward of The Bangalore Turf Club Ltd., representing Government of Karnataka, presenting 'The Bangalore Turf Club Trophy' to K. Aditya, trainer of GOLD KITE, which won the races on the 15th day of Mysore (Monsoon) Races 2025 held at Mysore Race Club (MRC) in city yesterday. The winning horse, owned by Kunal Natwarlal Sharma, was ridden by Jockey Hindu Singh. Also seen are MRC Chairman, Stewards and Committee Members.

JSS STU, Maharani's Commerce and Management College emerge champions

JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU) men's team which emerged as champions in the basketball tournament. Picture right shows women's team of Maharani's Commerce and Management College for Women who emerged as champions in throwball tournament.

Mysuru, Oct. 27 - JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU) and Maharani's Commerce and Management College for Women emerged as champions in the Jagadguru Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji Memorial Men's Basketball and Women's Throwball Tournament, respectively, held at the JSS STU campus, recently. The tournament was organised by the Department of Physical Education, JSS STU.

In an exciting men's basketball final, JSS STU edged past The National Institute of Engineering (NIE) with a close 56-47 victory. Chaitanya and Bhuvan Kumar starred for JSS STU, scoring 16 and 14 points, respectively, while Aryan of NIE, who was later declared Player of the Tournament, impressed with 24 points.

In women's throwball finals, Maharani's Commerce and Management College for Women defeated JSS College for Women, Saraswathipuram, in straight sets (25-22, 25-23). Sushma of JSS College, who earned Player of the Tournament title, delivered a strong performance.

The tournament attracted 23 women's and 12 men's teams from across Mysuru. Earlier, the tournament was inaugurated by K.R. Santhanam, Director (Accounts & Audit), JSS Mahavidyapeetha in the presence of JSS STU Vice-Chancellor Prof. A.N. Santosh Kumar, Registrar Prof S.A. Dhanraj and others.

SJCE Vice-Principal P. Mallu distributed trophies. Student Welfare Officer Prof. M. S. Sunil Kumar and PE Director C. Revanna were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Cognoscente

Pronunciation: kahn-yuh-SHEN-tee (Noun)
Meaning: Cognoscente refers to a person with expert knowledge in a subject. It is usually encountered in its plural form, cognoscenti, and preceded by the.
Origin: Cognoscente and connoisseur — both terms for those in the know — are more than synonyms; they're also linguistic cousins. Both terms descend from the Latin verb cognōscere, meaning "to know," and they're not alone. You might guess that cognizance and cognition are members of the cognōscere clan. Do you also recognize a family resemblance in recognize? Can you see through the disguise of incognito? Did you have a premonition that we would mention precognition? Cognoscente itself came to English by way of Italian and has been a part of the language since the late 1700s.
Example: "Even as [Ray] Bradbury was embraced by the New York cognoscenti — traveling to the city in the fall of '46, drawing the attention of Truman Capote, meeting Gore Vidal, dancing with Carson McCullers at a Manhattan party — Mars beckoned. Yet he would not dare tell his New York associates, for fear of being laughed out of the room." —Sam Weller, LitHub.com, 28 Apr. 2025.

THE ODD WORD

Carioca

A lively ballroom dance that resembles the samba.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

All in the Same Boat

Meaning: You use the phrase 'All in the Same Boat' to indicate that you and your companions or contemporaries are experiencing the same conditions or taking part in the same situation.
Origin: There are quite a few speculations about where the term 'all in the same boat' originated. One of the most popular comes from the sinking of the Titanic, when people from all classes were in the same situation after the ship struck the iceberg.
Example: "Don't be mad at me! We're all in the same boat here."

QUOTE BOX

Where is all the knowledge we lost with information? **—T.S. Eliot**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

MEAL²

Answer: Square Meal.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

3	6	8	5	1	2	4	9	7
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8	3	1	2	6	4	9	7	5
9	7	3	4	2	8	5	1	6
5	2	6	1	9	7	3	4	8
1	8	4	3	5	6	7	2	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Dull and uninteresting?
5 __ to: because of
8 "Hey, you!"
12 Prefix for ever present
13 Australian bird
14 The hindmost part
15 Brawny
17 South Africa's Hashim ____
18 Center starter
19 Peculiar aspect
21 African animal related to the giraffe
24 Parody
25 Puts or lets down in water
26 Opinion
27 Uncertainties
30 High mountain
31 Old Nick
32 Pinch or bite
33 Camera type
34 Persia today
35 New Haven campus
36 Mystery stories pioneer ___ Allan Poe
38 Got one's goat
39 Composer ___ Sebastian Bach
41 Link
42 Without _ __ : without safety precautions (1,3)
43 Thorough and complete
48 Great ___: large dog breed
49 One of the seven..... we are proverbially told of?
50 ___ one's feet : be deliberately slow in doing something?
51 Terminates or cancels
52 Comparative ending?
53 Cosy and warm

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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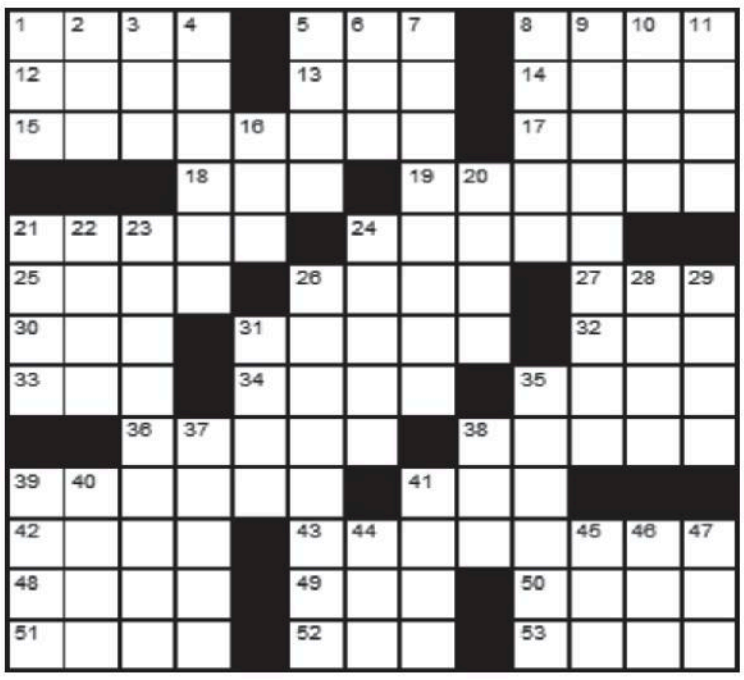
DOWN

1 ___ DeLuise
2 Radio Mgmnt. Unit
3 Responses abbreviation
4 Upper arm muscle
5 Food store in short?
6 Actress Thurman
7 Of the Continent
8 Madrid's famous art gallery
9 Penultimate match of a tournament? (4-5)
10 True to one's ___ : extremely loyal?
11 Serving plate
16 India's real-time payment system
20 Thumbs ___ : gesture of rejection?
21 Harem rooms
22 Murder
23 To arrest
24 Stringed instrument
26 Holy place for majority of Indians
28 Dossier
29 Made haste
31 Indication
35 Gives in to opposing force
37 Sticky dried fruit
38 2016 Olympics host in short
39 Green gemstone
40 __ __ even keel : cruising serenely? (2,2)
41 Old Russian ruler
44 Honey collector
45 Large vase
46 Cross shape letter of Greek alphabet
47 Breakfast staple



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

MAYYFHC MJA DTMTSA GO YXXIFHC WM MJA

LWVM WVVTEAV MJWM NXHBFMFXHV SAEWFH

NXHVMWHM. MJFV FV YFIA BSFKFHC W NWS

GO YXXIFHC FH MJA SAWSKFAQ EFSSXS.

TODAY'S CLUE: C EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Knowledge is of two kinds: we know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it.

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	(S-2)	10.05 am
	(S-3)	4.05 pm
	(S-4)	12.20 pm, 3.40 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Dude (Ta)	(S-1)	4.20 pm
Nellikkampoyil Night Riders (Ma)	(S-1)	10.30 pm
Green (K)	(S-2)	1.40 pm
Thamma (H)	(S-2)	4.10 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Regretting You (E)	(S-3)	10.40 am, 7.30 pm
Ek Deewane Ki Deewaniyat (H)	(S-3)	1.10 pm, 10 pm
Yaarigu Helbedi (K)	(S-4)	9.50 am

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Yaarigu Helbedi (K)	(S-1)	11.15 am
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Thamma (H)	(S-1)	7.15 pm
	(S-4)	1 pm, 3.55 pm, 9.30 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter-1 (K)	(S-2)	1 pm, 4.20 pm, 7.45 pm
	(S-3)	10.45 am, 2.30 pm
		6.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Dude (H)	(S-4)	6.50 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Kantara: A Legend Chapter-1 (H)	: 8.40 am, 12.05 pm, 3.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter-1 (K)	: 9.05 am, 9.30 am, 11.30 am, 12.15 pm, 2.55 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.20 pm, 7.05 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Thamma (H)	: 10.00 am, 1.05 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Dude (Ta)	: 10.05 am, 7.15 pm
Bison Kaalamaadan (Ta)	: 12.45 pm
Ek Deewane Ki Deewaniyat (H)	: 12.55 pm, 7.20 pm
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K-Ramp (Te)	: 4.10 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Thamma (H)	: 9.25 am, 12.30 pm, 3.35 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter-1 (K)	: 10.50 am, 11.45 am, 12.15 pm, 2.15 pm, 3.10 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.35 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Dude (Ta)	: 6.20 pm
Ek Deewane Ki Deewaniyat (H)	: 9.15 pm

Kannada Habba on Nov. 2

Award presentation and music programme

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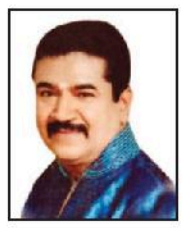
Indu Shekhar

Mysuru, Oct. 27- Kannada Habba, the presentation of Kannada Rajyotsava Awards to achievers and a music programme will be held on Nov. 2 at 4 pm at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, jointly organised by Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat, Mysuru Unit and Sri Anantheshwara Trust.

MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah will inaugurate the event. Department of Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan will present the awards. Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat Mysuru Unit President Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy will preside. Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal will hoist the Kannada Flag.

Journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar will felicitate the singers. Writers Jayappa Honnali and journalist S.T. Ravikumar (RK) will deliver felicitation address.

Senior writer Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK) will be honoured for lifetime achievement. KIKS Director Prof. N.K. Lolakshi, singer Dr. A.D. Srinivasan and tablist Indu Shekhar will be presented with the Kannada Rajyotsava Awards.

Singers Dr. A.D. Srinivasan, Indrani Anantharam, Rashmi Chikkamagaluru, Rajesh Padiyar, N. Bettegowda, Shridhar, Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, Ravi Raj Hasu, Kavitha Kamath, Poornima, Shrilatha, C.S. Vani, Abdul Khayyam, Nagendra, Vedashree, Sujatha Jayakumar, Vani Shree, A.M. Suresh, Shubha Pallavi, Shashikala Anantharam, Spoorthi, Sheela Gurudutt, Sinchana Hunasuru, C. Ramesh, Sugandhamma Jayappa, Sumithra, Maanvi U.S.Achar, Charvi Satish, P. Maanyatha, Upasana and others will sing.

Instrumentalists Ganesh Bhat (keyboard), Nalingesh Achar (keyboard), Indu Shekhar and Raghunath (tabla), Raghavendra Prasad (drums), Gurudutt (rhythm pad) and Balasubramanya (flute) will accompany the performance. The entry is free.

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 27)

- **Rangabhoomi Trust, Kodagu:** Staging of play 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba,' written by Addanda Cariappa, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training - Saraswati Puja by Swami Hamsananda, Kannada Sahitya Parishat premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6 pm to 6.45 pm;** Sri Saptamatruka Devasthanam, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, **7 pm to 7.45 pm.**
- **Sri Sangameshwara Temple:** Sharana-Sharaneyara Vicharadhare, Sri Siddamallaswamiji of Sri Neelakanteshwara Mutt, Mysuru, inaugurates, Sri Chidananda Swamiji of Sri Hosmutt, Mysuru and Sri Sadashiva Swamiji of Sri Virakta Mutt, Nanjangud, will grace the occasion, Shankara Devanur delivers lecture on 'Sharanara Moulika Chintane,' Sri Nataraja Auditorium, Sri Hosmutt, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 28)

- **Inchara Kalakshetra:** Handmade (Paper Pulp) Doll Show by K.S. Raghavendra — Over 500 dolls of Paper Pulp depicting Sri Srinivasa Kalyana, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mahime and Dashavataradalli Sri Krishna Bala Leele — Inchara Kalakshetra, #149/150, 4th Cross, 3rd Main, Mahadeshwaranagar, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **10 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm.** [Mob: 98867-64542 or 98867-21171]
- **Sri Male Mahadeshwara Bhakta Mandali:** Sri Male Mahadeshwara Swamy Karthika Masa Puja Mahotsava, Annasantharpane, **12 noon;** Kamsale Nagaraju and Troupe to present Sri Male Mahadeshwara Swamy Devotional Songs and Sri Male Mahadeshwara Swamy Harikathe, Male Mahadeshwara Temple, Janathanagar, Thonachikoppal, **6 pm.**
- **Gemini Circus:** 3 shows at Horse Park Grounds, near Karanji Lake, **1 pm, 4 pm and 7 pm.**
- **Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA):** Dasara Exhibition, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **3 pm to 10 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training Sessions - Learn & Perform, Simple and Diligent, Saraswati Puja by Swami Hamsananda, Kannada Sahitya Parishat premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6 pm to 6.45 pm;** Sri Saptamatruka Devasthanam, 7th Main Road, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, **7 pm to 7.45 pm.**
- **Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru:** Gita Jnana Yajna, Swami Gahanananda delivers discourse on 'Karma Yoga of Bhagavad Gita - 3rd Chapter,' Shivananda Jnanalaya, Lakshmipuram, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Rangabhoomi Trust, Kodagu:** Staging of play 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba,' written by Addanda Cariappa, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

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Thamma (H)	: 9.55 am, 1.00 pm, 4.05 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm,
Dude (Ta)	: 1.10 pm
Green (K)	: 4.05 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Thamma (H)	: 10.00 am, 4.00 pm, 7.50 pm, 10.20 pm,
Newton's 3rd Law (K)	: 10.45 am
Kantara: A Legend Chapter-1 (K)	: 11.30 am, 12.15 pm, 2.55 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.20 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Ek Deewane Ki Deewaniyat (H)	: 1.05 pm, 10.10 pm
Bili Chukki Halli Hakki (K)	: 1.35 pm
Dilmaar (K)	: 4.30 pm
Dude (Ta)	: 7.25 pm
Nellikkampoyil Night Riders (Ma)	: 9.45 pm

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